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TROYANOV AIRFIELD, BULGARIA

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TROYANOV, populated place in East Bulgaria, 25 km from the port of BURGAS.

Situation

(4233-2709) The airfield lies 25 kilometers from the port of Burgas and 750 m SE of Troyanovo. It is bordered on the West and East by a stream and on the South by a woods, in which structures are skillfully hidden. The territory on the North is lightly ascending, then hilly, and finally mountainous terrain.

A. Aircraft and Aircraft Activity

1. [redacted] in the summer of 1955, there were on the average the following:

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- 40 aircraft, type IL-10
- 50 jet planes, type MIG-15
- 5 two-seater airplanes of an unknown type (also not known to .
- 5 twin-engine transport planes, type LI-2

All planes are sheltered in the hangars, except the so-called alert planes, i.e.. two pair of MIG-15 are kept out in the open on each of the concrete dispersal areas; see Sketch, No 8.

2. Planes are painted grey, and have the national insignia. has not seen the insignia.

3. Various. MIG-15s, on the average 20 minutes. IL-10, one half hour and a whole hour. Training planes, on the average only 10 minutes. Transport planes, unknown.

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4. The IL-10 always flew in formation, three planes to a V-formation. MIG-15s, four planes to a V-formation, the fourth plane always flying on the right wing of the V. Training planes always alone.

5. [] Four alarm practices were held in the month. The assumption in each case: enemy aircraft. IL-10 and MIG-15.

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6. Take-offs also took place in very bad weather (rain and storm).

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8. [] on the average planes came from the Burgas airfield three times a week.

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10. Among the above-mentioned planes from Burgas there were also Soviet planes. These remained a whole day on the airfield, parked in the hangars, and on the day of their arrival continued their flight in a westerly direction. Further details unknown.

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B. Antiaircraft Artillery Installations ()

1. AA installation is East of the airfield; to these installations belong the two AA gun installations sw and nw of Burgas.

C. Radar ()

1. Permanent radar station, see No 15 on the Sketch: on the East side, approximately 300 m south of the northeast corner.

2. The radar station is in a blockhouse, with a flat roof. On the roof there is a plate-shaped instrument, about as wide as the height of the house, i.e., approximately 4 meters.

3. The radar screen, when in use, is turned horizontally. No Soviet personnel in the vicinity, only Bulgarian service personnel, in field uniform, without numbers. No aircraft in flight in the vicinity.

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D. Building and runways

1. There are 29 buildings, in very good condition, which were painted in the spring of 1955 with camouflage colors.

See Sketch, No 11: In the center of the area on the northern edge of the woods; the airfield command building, (navigation center), one-storied, dimensions 25 x 40 meters, with a small tower on the roof.

See Sketch, No 12: west of command building, flat building with meteorological station, rescue service, and fire fighting equipment, dimensions 25 x 40 meters.

See Sketch, No 6: 3 guardhouses, each with dimensions 4 x 4 meters. There are two of these buildings on the eastern flank, and one building on the northern part of the west flank.

See Sketch No 7 and No 9: 2 hangars, flat-roofed, concrete skeleton structure, each hangar with dimensions 120 x 30 meters.

See Sketch, No 10: 7 storage buildings, flat (dimensions ?)

See Sketch, No 4: 8 single buildings, for enlisted personnel.

See Sketch, No 3: 6 flat buildings (officers and NCO quarters)

See Sketch, No 2: garages, repair workshops, surrounded by a concrete plateau.

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the end of July 1955 groups of workers were occupied with laying new concrete at taxiway points at junction of the runway.

5. See under point 4 - improvement work on points where both taxiways join the runway and on dispersal areas.

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6. One runway, east and west direction, parallel with the edge of the woods, see Sketch, No 14. Two taxiways, see Sketch, No 13, to dispersals areas before the hangars, Sketch, No 8.

7. The runway: concrete, 2,400 meters long, 100 meters wide.

Taxiways and dispersal areas: concrete, each also 100 meters wide.

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E. Radio and illumination ()

1. The radio station is in the airfield command building, see Sketch No 11.

At the top of the tower on the roof of the building: 5 meters high dipole antenna, simple. Without wires.

2. At both sides of the runways are white lights, a row of searchlights, for night landings.

3.  red lights are at both ends of the concrete runway. Red lights are also mounted on high concrete pylons at the edge of the woods.

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F. Fuel and ammunition ()

1. Two underground fuel storehouses, both in the woods.

First storehouse: see Sketch, No 5, west corner of the airfield. Aircraft gasoline for motor-driven aircraft.

Second storehouse: see Sketch, No 1, south corner of the airfield. Fuel for jet-propelled aircraft.

2. Each fuel storehouse has 4 metal containers which are buried and covered with earth. Each storehouse has a motor-driven automatic pump with which fuel tank cars are loaded. The fuel is then delivered to the hangars where the aircraft are filled with fuel.

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4. See Sketch, No 10: storehouse for ready ammunition for aircraft is located in the western part of the field and is shaded on the sketch. This building lies directly south of the meteorological station, and is in row 10 of the sketch.

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1. The following troops are stationed at the airfield:

- A. Fighter Regimental Command:

Fighter Companies Nos 1 - 3

Service and Repair Company^{ies} No 4 - 6

Supply Company No 7

- B. Close Support Group Command:

Close Support Companies Nos 1 - 3

Service Company^{ies} No 4 - 5

Maintenance Company No 6

The planes of the fighter unit are sheltered in the eastern hangar, see sketch, No 7. The planes of the close support unit are sheltered in the western hangar, see sketch, No 9.

2. Color of shoulder straps: blue, unnumbered

3. Names of the officers:

OO of the fighter regiment: Major Igor Sarenkov

OO of 1st Company - First Lieutenant Pontev

OO of 2nd Company - First Lieutenant Milan Nikora

OO of 3rd Company - Lieutenant Stepan Gervas

OO of the close support ~~support~~ group: Major Vasili Papetov

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5. Security of the Port of Burgas against the West and pilot training.

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H. Railroad connections and transport

1. Airfield has no railroad connection. The nearest railroad station is Burgas.

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3. Supplies from Burgas by truck and fuel by fuel tank trucks.

I. Vehicles

1. Tanks, type MOLOTOV and SKODA.

25 3.5 ton and 5 ton trucks of the ZAGORA and MAN types.

Airplane pullers of the GMC type and

fuel trucks of the ZIS type.

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4. An automatic pump with an electric motor assembled on an iron carriage is located on the rear part of the fuel trucks. This pump is hoisted down during the processes of filling or unloading, with the pumping system being placed in the right direction with the help of the carriage. The pump, which is mounted on the carriage, is automatically lifted up or down from the truck, backwards, by means of two arms or brackets. Three men travel with this truck.

J. Guardposts and fences.

1. Each guard house has a 3-man post, see Sketch, No 6.

Two men are stationed at the airfield command building, see Sketch, No 11.

Two men are stationed at the ready ammunition storage dump, see western part of Sketch, No 10.

Two men are stationed at each of the hangars, see Sketch No 7 and No 9.

A one-man post is located at each of the fuel storage dumps, see Sketch, No 4 and No 5 but it's safe to say that the posts ^{are} all doubled during the night.

2. The buildings located in the woods, as in Sketch, No 5; Sketch, No 10; Sketch, No 4; Sketch, No 3; Sketch, No 2; and Sketch, No 1, are surrounded by a simple wire fence.

3. Neither know of a "forbidden area" in the vicinity of the airfield area.

(5) Explanation of the Sketch.

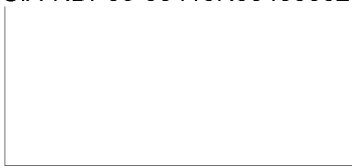
1. Fuel storage dump.
2. Garage and repair workshops.
3. Officers and NCO quarters.
4. Enlisted personnel quarters.
5. Fuel storage dump.
6. Guardhouses.

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7. Hangar.
8. Cement dispersal areas.
9. Hangar.
10. Storage.
11. Airfield command building.
12. Meteorological building.
13. Two cement taxiways.
14. Runway, cement.
15. Radar station.



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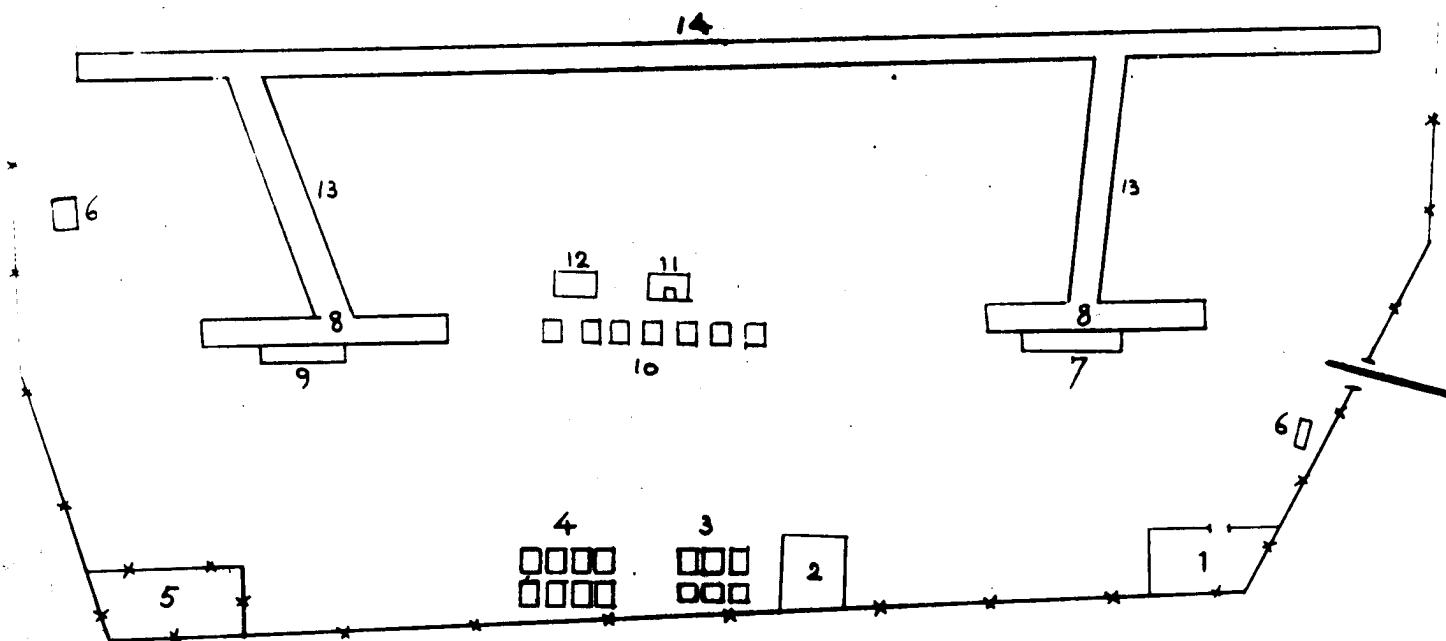
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